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May Milk Production

Dairy herds in Michigan produced 955 million pounds of milk during May, up 6.9 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Regional Director of USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. The daily rate per cow was 73.7 pounds, up 2.9 pounds from May 2015. The dairy herd was estimated at 418,000 head for May, up 11,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 17.5 billion pounds, up 1.2 percent from May 2015. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 65.1 pounds in May, 0.6 pounds above May 2015. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.64 million head, 11,000 head more than May 2015, but unchanged from April 2016.

Milk production, May

Commodity	Michigan			23 Major States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Cows1,000 Hd	384	407	418	8,558	8,633	8,644
Daily rate per cowPounds	69.2	70.8	73.7	63.8	64.5	65.1
ProductionMil lbs	824	893	955	16,934	17,246	17,450